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Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations

Letter dated 23 January 2007 from the Secretary-General to the President of the General Assembly

1. At present 16 Member States are in arrears under the terms of Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations, which states:

> A Member of the United Nations which is in arrears in the payment of its financial contributions to the Organization shall have no vote in the General Assembly if the amount of its arrears equals or exceeds the amount of the contributions due from it for the preceding two full years. The General Assembly may, nevertheless, permit such a Member to vote if it is satisfied that the failure to pay is due to conditions beyond the control of the Member.

2. The minimum payments necessary to reduce the amounts owed by those Member States on their contributions so that they remain below the gross amount assessed for the preceding two full years (2005 and 2006) are as follows:

Member State	*Minimum payment (United States dollars)*
Central African Republic	372 600.00
Chad	20 100.00
Comoros[a]	761 000.00
Côte d'Ivoire	222 600.00
Dominica	21 000.00
Georgia[a]	4 693 964.10
Guinea-Bissau[a]	510 600.00
Kyrgyzstan	600.00
Liberia[a]	1 063 700.00
Niger[a]	348 900.00
Palau	29 700.00
Saint Lucia	29 251.00

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Member State	*Minimum payment (United States dollars)*
Sao Tome and Principe[a]	614 700.00
Seychelles	55 600.00
Somalia[a]	1 043 000.00
Tajikistan[a]	1 001 230.84

[a] In its resolution 61/2 of 12 October 2006, the General Assembly decided that the Central African Republic, the Comoros, Georgia, Guinea-Bissau, Liberia, the Niger, Sao Tome and Principe, Somalia and Tajikistan should be permitted to vote in the General Assembly until the end of its sixty-first session.

(Signed) **Ban** Ki-moon
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